

In the Study.

For the Sanctuary.

Thanksgiving.

For Life.

We thank Thee for our life, with all its blessings of health and strength, of comfort and privilege; for all its charities and affections, and its means of doing good.—*Presbyterian Forms of Service.*

We thank Thee for the labours and the joys of these mortal years.—RUFUS ELLIS.

For God's Providence in Nature.

O Thou, who art the hope of all the ends of the earth, and on whom the eyes of all do wait, who crownest the year with Thy goodness, who openest Thy hand and fillest all things living with plenteousness, every day do we give thanks unto Thee, and praise Thy name for ever and ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord.—W. K.

We praise Thy name that we have seen Thy promises fulfilled in the fulness of the earth. Thou hast provided for our wants and answered our prayers for daily bread. We thank Thee for all the joy that is ours in believing that Thou art our Father who ever worketh to provide, not only for the supply of our wants, but also for our happiness.—*Public Prayers by a Congregational Minister.*

We give Thee thanks, Almighty God, for the bread of the body that perisheth, and we beseech Thee to give us that bread by which man's higher life is fed.—GEORGE DAWSON.

For God's Care and Guidance.

We yield Thee thanks, O Lord our God, Father of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, for that Thou hast sheltered, assisted, and defended us, and hast brought us through the past time of our life, and hast guided us to this hour, and dost vouchsafe to receive us.—*Liturgy of the Greek Church.*

We thank Thee for all the indications of Thy goodness and over-ruling providence, seen in the history of our beloved land.—*Public Prayers by a Congregational Minister.*

We thank Thee for all Thou hast done for us, and for all Thou art to us. We thank Thee for Thy faithfulness to our fathers. We thank Thee for Thy faithfulness to Thy people now. We

thank Thee for all the grace to come.—THEODORE MONOD.

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we Thine unworthy servants do give Thee most humble and hearty thanks, for all Thy goodness and loving-kindness to us, and to all men. We bless Thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all, for Thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world, by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.—*Coptic Litany of St. Basil.*

We bless Thy holy name for all the undeserved favours which we have received at Thy gracious hand this day: for life and health, for food and raiment, and for deliverance from dangers and difficulties of mind, body, or estate.—J. ASHE.

We give Thee thanks, yea, more than thanks, O Lord our God, for all Thy goodness at all times and in all places, because Thou hast shielded, rescued, helped, and guided us all the days of our lives, and brought us unto this hour.—*Liturgy of St. Mark.*

May we lift our hearts to Thee this day in great thankfulness, humbly acknowledging Thy mercy and Thy truth, Thy large and tender providence, Thy nearness to us at all times, Thy Spirit of Wisdom, and Might and Peace, the works and the joys, and the discipline of earth which Thou dost appoint, the promises that lay hold of things to come.—RUFUS ELLIS.

We thank Thee for blessings around us and within, for mercies known and unknown, for all that Thou hast granted, for what Thou hast withheld, and for everything yet in store for us. Most of all we bless Thee for that wherewith Thou drawest us to Thyself; and by which Thou art making us Thine own, through Jesus Christ our Lord.—W. K.

We bless Thee for Thy many daily benefits. Surely Thou dost follow us step by step with punctual providences, and with patient pardons.—A. MACLAREN.

For Spiritual Gifts.

Eternal praise and thanks be given unto Thee, dear God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which hast blessed us with all spiritual blessing in heavenly things by Christ, in that Thou hast

chosen us in Him before the foundation of the world was laid, that we should be without blame before Thee through Him.—*Christian Prayers* (1566).

Hear our thanksgiving unto Thee for all the joy that Thou puttest into mortal life; but chiefly for the joy that comes of sin forgiven, weakness strengthened, victory promised, life eternal looked for.—GEORGE DAWSON.

We would thank Thee for all the benefits that we have received from Thy goodness: it is to Thy blessing we owe what success we have found. Every opportunity for doing good; every impulse in the right way; each victory we have gained over ourselves; every thought of Thy presence, O Father; every silent but loving glance on the example of our Pattern, Thy Son our Lord—all are alike Thy gifts to us.—M. SAILER.

Lord, we thank Thee for the liberty which comes to our emancipated spirit through the adoption which Thou hast made us to enjoy.—C. H. SPURGEON.

O Father Almighty, we give Thee thanks that Thou hast called us unto godliness and to the remission of sins.—*Liturgy of the Greek Church*.

Almighty and everlasting God, heavenly Father, we give Thee humble thanks, that Thou hast vouchsafed to grant us a knowledge of Thyself, and faith in Thee.—W. K.

Blessed be Thy name, there are some sins which Thou hast helped us to overcome, and now they are trodden beneath our feet with many a tear that we should ever have been in bondage to them.—C. H. SPURGEON.

We thank Thee that that light which shows the sinful affections which are hidden in our hearts can also help us to see Christ as the Saviour from sin.—*Public Prayers by a Congregational Minister*.

We thank Thee for all the light there is, but send us more light. We thank Thee for what life there is among Christians, but send more of it.—C. H. SPURGEON.

For the Incarnation and Work of Christ.

We thank Thee that the Word has become flesh and dwelt among us. We thank Thee for all the ministration of His life, and all the graciousness of His words and works. And we bless Thee that He has shown us the Father and scattered for ever the doubts and fears that spring in guilty hearts. But most of all we praise Thee that He

has died for all, and therefore is King of all.—A. MACLAREN.

We adore Thee and give thanks to Thee, O Son of the living God, most gracious Jesus, who for us wast conceived in the Virgin's womb, and becamest a tender infant.—H. S. LUNN.

O gracious and bounteous Lord God, who furnishing our offering acceptest it, blessed be Thou for ever and ever.—C. G. ROSSETTI.

We thank Thee for the Risen Saviour, for the loving Christ, for the reigning King; for our Intercessor in Thy presence who has gone in to prepare a place for us, and comes to us through all the days with the gifts of His grace and Spirit, and will come at last to take us to Himself.—A. MACLAREN.

Chiefly are we bound to praise Thee for the glorious Resurrection of Thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; for He is the very Paschal Lamb which was offered for us, and hath taken away the sin of the world: who by His death hath destroyed death, and by His rising to life again hath restored to us everlasting life.—*Book of Common Prayer*.

Our glory, and our thanksgiving, and our blessing to our Lord Jesus Christ, for His life-giving words to us; and to His Father, who sent Him for our salvation; and to His living and holy Spirit, who giveth us life.—*Liturgy of St. James*.

For the Holy Spirit.

O Lord, we thank Thee for that Spirit of the Lord which searcheth the hearts and the reins of the children of men; and we pray that we may come to the light that our deeds may be made manifest to ourselves.—A. MACLAREN.

We bless Thee for the Spirit that came of old, and still comes, from Him who was so filled with the Father, and so expressive of the Father's glory—the Spirit of holy inspiration, the Spirit of light and truth, the Spirit of comfort and love, the Spirit, not of bondage and fear, but of liberty and sonship.—S. A. TIPPLE.

We praise Thee, O Thou God of truth, for every measure of the Holy Spirit which Thou hast bestowed upon us during the past day, in His enlightening, refreshing, and sanctifying influences; for the comfort of Thy holy Word, and the rich treasures of spiritual knowledge that are revealed therein.—ISAAC ASHE.

We thank Thee for the world without wherein

Thy glory is revealed, where day unto day uttereth speech of Thee, and night unto night certifieth knowledge. We thank Thee still more for the world within, where Thy Spirit dwelleth and daily worketh with our own, where Thou revealest Thyself secretly to the souls which Thou hast made.—W. K.

For the Love and Forbearance of God.

We thank Thee for undeserved mercies. We thank Thee for the continuance of often misused benefits. We thank Thee that Thou dost not pluck away our joys when we forget the Hand that gives them, but that Thou dost continue with patience, endless because it is Divine, wooing us to Thyself, and hoping that the mercy of God may lead us to repentance.—A. MACLAREN.

We give Thee thanks, O our God, our mercy, who hast vouchsafed to lead us to a conception of Thee, that in Thine unbounded goodness Thou hast patience with us, waiting for the amendment of our lives.—ST. ANSELM.

O Lord, we thank Thee for Thine infinite patience; we thank Thee that Thou sufferest long and bearest with us still.—M. DODS.

We thank Thee, Lord, for the love without beginning which chose us or ever the earth was; for the love without measure which entered into covenant for our redemption; for the love without failure which in due time appeared in the person of Christ and wrought out our redemption, for that love which has never changed.—C. H. SPURGEON.

For the Saints.

We bless Thee for as many as are openly confessing Christ as their Saviour and Lord, and pray that they may continually be upheld by Thy grace and power.—*Public Prayers by a Congregational Minister.*

O Lord, God of our fathers, we bless Thy holy name, Thy grace and mercy, for all those who have gone before us to rest in Thee; all, in all

vocations, who have pleased Thee.—CHRISTINA G. ROSSETTI.

We thank Thee for that true Light shining in our world with still increasing brightness. We thank Thee for all who have walked therein, and especially for those near to us and dear, in whose lives we have seen this excellent glory and beauty.—RUFUS ELLIS.

For Communion.

Almighty and ever-living God, we most heartily thank Thee, for that Thou dost vouchsafe to feed us, who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of Thy Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, and dost assure us thereby of Thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of Thy Son, which is the company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of Thy everlasting kingdom, by the merits of the most precious death and passion of Thy dear Son.—*Book of Common Prayer.*

God of all grace, we thank Thee that at this holy table Jesus Christ is before our eyes openly set forth crucified—wounded for our transgressions, and bruised for our iniquities; and we praise Thee that in this bread which we break we have the communion of His broken body.—*Presbyterian Forms of Service.*

We thank Thee, O Lord, for the abundance of Thy mercies, whereby we have been made worthy to partake of Thy heavenly table.—*Liturgy of St. James.*

For the Bible.

We thank Thee for all the consolations given in Thy Word, which help us to bear our pain with submission, and which dispel our fears.—*Public Prayers by a Congregational Minister.*

—Our Father, which art in heaven, our hearts are full of gratitude to Thee for Thy Word.—C. H. SPURGEON.